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**Amendment, Response  
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Petition for 3-Month Extension of time**

This is in response to the 5/11/01 Office Action, a response to which was originally due on 8/11/01. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time and authorize the PTO to charge our Deposit Account 01-2315 the required \$435.00 fee, as well as any other fee which may be due at this time in connection with this matter. Accordingly, this Response should be considered timely filed.